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**Remarks:**

Claims 1-10, 12, 13, 15, 17, 20-22, 32, 33 and 58-68 are pending in the application. Claim 32 has been amended and claims 11, 14, 16, 18, 19, 23-31, 34-57 and 69-86 have been canceled without prejudice. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

The specification has been amended to update the cross reference to related applications to indicate that the present application is a 371 U.S. national phase application of PCT Application No. PCT/US2003/040611, filed December 19, 2003, and that the present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application, Serial No. 10/755,915, which is a continuation of U.S. pat. application, Serial No. 09/793,002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,690,268. The specification has also been amended to update the reference to several incorporated patent applications that have now issued as U.S. patents. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

The Abstract has been amended to remove the reference numbers from the Abstract. A new Abstract sheet is attached.

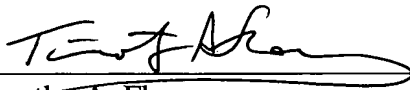
Examination on the basis of claims 1-10, 12, 13, 15, 17, 20-22, 32, 33 and 58-68 and an early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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